GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:158
ANSWERED ON:24.07.2002
WLL SERVICE BY BSNL
SUBODH ROY

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the WLL service being provided by the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited(BSNL) in the Gram Panchayats fo telecommunication purposes is not working satisfactorily;

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to improve these services;

(c) whether the Government propose to install a new Rural Telecom Network in the rural areas through a new technology by discontinuing the WLL services; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PF MAHAJAN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF LOK SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STA QUESTION NO. 158 FOR 24TH JULY, 2002 REGARDING WLL SERVICE BY BSNL.

No instances of unsatisfactory functioning of newly introduced WLL systems have come to notice.On the contrary, the technology is working very satisfactorily meeting the objective of providing telephone access to villages. There is, therefore, no need to plan an alternative to WLL.